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FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.
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- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$96.
 - \$18 for 2 total claims over 20.
 - \$78 for 2 independent claims over 3.
- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
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- The balance due by applicant is \$ 506.

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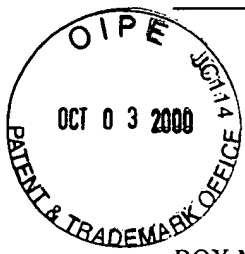
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| Applicant: | TENNICAN ET AL. | Examiner: | NOT ASSIGNED |
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| Title: | METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR NETWORK LOAD BALANCING WITH A COMPOUND DATA STRUCTURE | | |



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Sir:

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- ☒ Transmittal Sheet in duplicate containing Certificate of Mailing
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- ☒ Signed Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney
- ☒ Check in the amount of \$506.00 for filing fee; 2 claims over 20; 2 ind. claims over 3; late filing fee surcharge
- ☒ Other: Copy of Notice To File Missing Parts dated 09/08/2000
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| Number of Claims Filed | | In Excess of: | | Number Extra | | Rate | | Fee |
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| TOTAL FILING FEE | | | | | | | | \$506.00 |

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